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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Honorable Phil Mendelson
Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia

FROM: Natwar M. Gandhi 
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DATE: November 4, 2013

SUBJECT: Fiscal Impact Statement – “Department of Health Grant Making
Authority for Clinical Nutritional Home Services Emergency
Amendment Act of 2013”

REFERENCE: Draft legislation shared with the Office of Revenue Analysis on October
31, 2013

Conclusion

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2014 through FY 2017 budget and financial plan to implement the bill.

Background

The bill would provide authorization in FY 2014 for the Director of the Department of Health (DOH) to issue grants to support clinical nutritional home delivery services for individuals living with cancer and other life-threatening diseases. The bill does not specify the authority amount.

The Fiscal Year 2014 Budget Support Act¹ already provides grant making authority for ten different programs.² The bill will add clinical nutritional home delivery services to this list.

¹ Enacted on August 28, 2013 (D.C. Act 20-157; 60 DCR 12472).

² These include ambulatory health services (amount not to exceed \$3,236,980); poison control hotline and prevention education services (amount not to exceed \$350,000); operations and primary care services for school-based health clinics (amount not to exceed \$2,250,000); teen pregnancy prevention programming (amount not to exceed \$400,000); programming to promote healthy development among high-school age girls in lower-income neighborhoods (amount not to exceed \$400,000); farmers market incentive programs (amount not to exceed \$200,000); food pantry services (amount not to exceed \$52,000); wildlife rehabilitation services (amount not to exceed \$250,000); mother-to-child HIV transmission (amount not to exceed \$50,000); and prevention services provided by a non-profit for certain chronic diseases (amount not to exceed \$850,000).

The Honorable Phil Mendelson

FIS: "Department of Health Grant Making Authority for Clinical Nutritional Home Services Emergency Amendment Act of 2013," draft shared with the ORA on October 31, 2013

Financial Plan Impact

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2014 through FY 2017 budget and financial plan to implement the bill.

The bill provides DOH with the authority to make grants for clinical nutritional home delivery services, but does not obligate the agency to support any specific grants. Any grants made under the proposed authority must be absorbed in the DOH's FY 2014 budget.